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Hon. C. W. Cross is the sort of cabinet minister who is "on his job" all the time. He is away on a trip to the southern part of the province just now, arranging for the District Courts which come into existence next week. As is known these courts will sit at different places in each district and the Attorney General will ascertain while away the points at which sessions will be held.

"Somebody started a rumor that Mr. Cross was going to take a seat on the Supreme Court bench. No man would be better qualified for such a position but he is needed in the government. He is giving the province excellent service in framing laws and administering justice and it would be a distinct loss if such an able and resourceful a public man were to accept a judgeship. However, there is not any likelihood of Mr. Cross giving up his portfolio."

This is the sort of gush the Daily News of Calgary, publishes from Edmonton. In regard to which we wish to remark: Charlie had a little Bull. His face was white as snow, and every where that Charlie went, The Bull was sure to go.

HIS TWO BOYS.

One the Hero, the Other the Black Sheep of the Family.

"Let's see," said the man who had been away a long time, "you had two boys, didn't you?"

"Yes," replied Pat. "They would have been three at this time, but one was born a girl."

"I remember now. Tom and Andy you named them, after Thomas Jefferson and Andrew Jackson, didn't you?"

"As I remember Tom he was a very bright little fellow. I never knew so much about Andy?"

"Ah, but that Andy! He's the hope! He led the big league twice in five years, and now he's managing a club in Missouri and has a contract for five years at a terrible big salary. He and his ma can't get over being glad we never made Andy good to school, but let him stay ball in all the corner lots of the neighborhood. And all the neighbors have his pitcher in their parlors. They are proud of him."

"That's fine. I am glad to hear that Andy is doing so well. But what about Tony? I always had an idea that he was going to turn out well."

"No, Tony ain't amounting to much. He was more for wasting his time going to college and that. He's only the chief clerk at a shoe store or something like that, for one of these concerns that prints books. But this, you know, they say there's a black sheep in nearly every family."

A FISH'S TAIL.

The Wonderful Power It Develops In Its Strides.

A fish's tail is like wings. Thanks to the machinery of muscle set along its spine and to its cleaving form, a trout or salmon can dart through the water at a tremendous pace, though its rapid flights, unlike the bird's, are not long ones. It is soon dead beat. The water is not so friendly to flight as the air. The stroke of the fish's tail is one of great power, and by means of it and the writhing, snakelike flexion of the body, high speed is reached. The strength behind this speed is shown in the way a fish or sea mammal out of the water will raise its tail and strike the ground or boat. A fisherman told the writer he once had a rude proof of this power. He caught and, with all, got into his boat a whale thresh. After being still awhile as if spent or dying, the creature, on its capture or prodding, suddenly lashed furiously up and down. The startled men and their captive leviathan, given nearly up set the boat. It was an experience they wish never to repeat. The slapping stroke of a helpless and injured fish may be often a spasm and no more, but when a large and naturally aggressive fish—like the salmon—thrashes—lashes on the enemy at reaching. It does look like the common light—George H. Dewar.

Two Aspies.

Battle Creek, the magnificent authority of a small town in Scotland, had its stout sons, with whom he loved to parade the market place, says Dr. Kerr in his "Memories." They furnished him the basis of a mathematical joke.

"A fine family you have," strangers would often say. "Is this the whole of it?"

"No, indeed," the battle would reply. "I have two sisters at home for each and every one of them."

"What?" the visitor would exclaim, rapidly counting the sons. "Twelve daughters?"

"No, indeed. Just two."

Crownell and Foolscap.

The Triumph of Crownell! What is Foolscap? Everybody the world over recognizes that paper foolscap size means a standard measurement of thirteen inches by sixteen, yet how few you give the reason why. In England the paper mark was originally a crown, and when the commonwealth was set up Crownell was approached as to what mark should be used in the future. He, with characteristic contempt for crown, replied, "A fool's cap," and so it became and remained, for at the restoration the matter was overlooked until too late to act upon the ultimate discovery.—London Chronicle.

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Blue Eyed Babies.

It is a pity that all babies born with the prospect of being adopted out of an orphan asylum are not blessed with blue eyes. Most persons who wish to adopt children show a preference for the blue eyed variety.

"They seem to think," said the mother of one such institution, "that blue eyes give promise of great intelligence. They are a general standard of character. That is pretty hard on the youngsters with eyes of brown, black, grey or hazel. I understand those children will grow up to be just as worthy citizens as the blue eyed lots, but it is impossible to make them so. I am a susceptible person—in law believe so. I have been influenced by the arguments of certain fair haired—sophisticated writers who claim that all the virtues are found in blue eyes, and the sad-eyed children, no matter what their parentage, suffer from the discrimination."

The Old warming Pan.
"Yes, that is a fine specimen of the old time warming pan," said an amateur collector of antiques, quoted by the Philadelphia Record, "that it hangs on the wall from this line up. It will not be brought into requisition for its original and original purpose again. It is too old. There is added contemplative. My daughter thought it would never be the most useful of things to put that warming pan in. So on one of the coldest nights of the winter she filled the pan with water and she heated and put the pan into one of the beds. In a little while the house was filled with smoke, which, on being traced to its origin, was found to come from the bed, which was safe. With a few other fine wood embers these warming pans were all right, but to substitute them simply over the job. We put out the fire, but on a day from this time on, the warming pan hangs on the wall empty."

Kneaded Earth.
Even old thing wrote of "plaster," pronounced "plasterwork." It was suggested by the building processes of the ancients, and the durable walls made according to those wonderful architects of the insect tribe were called "terracotta." The method was well known to the ancients, and some of the oldest houses in the world today are the result of this construction. Remnants of a chateau in the department of Alsace, France, which he repaired in 1704: "It was at least 150 years old, and the walls had acquired a hardness and compactness equal to ordinary stone, so that in enlarging the windows and other apertures the workmen used the same tools as in a quarry." It is simply kneaded earth. What is Mexican adobe?

Her Limit.
The old generation of Galloway ladies were a primitive and belligerent race, but their convulsions sometimes led to awkward occurrences. In former days, when roads were laid and wheeled vehicles almost unknown, an old lady was returning from a supper party, with her ladyship behind him, on horseback. On crossing the river I rode at a point where it joins the sea the old lady dropped off and was not injured until her husband reached his door, when, of course, there was an immediate search, and the party who were dispatched in quest of her arrived just in time to find her remonstrating with the advancing tide, which trickled into her mouth, in these words: "No, another drop, neither let me eat it."—London Tit-Bits.

A Word's Birthday.
It is curious to see how a new word extends our vocabulary. For instance, the discovery of photography has led to 234 words being added to the language. Dr. Murray fixes March 11, 1825, as the birthday of the word, "photography." It was on that day that Sir John Herschel used it in a paper which he read before the Royal Society. The word word took root in France, and two or three months later when Arago made his report to the chamber of deputies concerning the pension of M. Daguerre he quoted "photographie" as a generally accepted word.

Douglas Jerrold's Wit.
Douglas Jerrold was on one occasion debating with a friend the respective merits of two contemporary writers. The argument had been long, and, thinking it would be a compromise, the friend remarked:

"Well, after all, they both run in the same groove."

"But not with the same skill," rejoined Jerrold.

His Luck.
"Luckiest man I ever knew! Every thing succeeded with him. He had only to say what he wanted, and he got it. Why, confound it, I was walking with him one day—the very last day of his life—and he said to me, 'When I die, I want to die suddenly! Get run over that very night. Ever see such luck!'"—London Mail.

His System.
"How do you dispose of your garbage here?" asked the stranger, who was gathering data for purposes of publication.

"We always throw ours in the garbage can," said the man with the beard, but I don't know, of course, about the neighbors."

Safety.
"Why," asks a Missouri paper, "do Missions stand at the head in religious?"

"Because," said another paper, "the only safe place to stand."

Cynicism? He intellectual dandy without the cynicism's feathers.—London Tit-Bits.

Telephone Operators Elect Officers

(Special to The Journal.)

Winnipeg, Sept. 16.—At the annual meeting of the Commercial Telephone Operators of America, Local Union No. 20, held here yesterday, McKillier was elected president and Joseph Carter vice-president for Alberta.

Afghan Justice.

A Yorkshire engineer, acting in Afghanistan for many years, director of the arsenal at Abdul Rahman. On one occasion the engineer was fired at by some fanatic in a bazaar and laid a complaint before the ameer. His business seemed to make light of the matter, observing: "I should not bother about it. You will find it will be all right." The engineer was by no means satisfied, but, remembering the people with whom he was, resolved to say no more. A week or so later he was invited to accompany the ameer on a ride. When outside the town they passed a ghilzie after ghilzie, each occupied. The Englishman at length broke silence by suggesting, "Your highness seems to have been busy of late." The reply was characteristic: "Oh, no. That is your little lot. It was afterward learned that the ameer had executed every male member of the family of the assassin upon whom he could lay hands."—London Globe.

Lost and Won at Shiloh.
Many an amusing incident of army life is given in Low Wallace's autobiography. For example, he writes that of a tented "paradise" which was lost and won at the battle of Shiloh: "With in our lines there was a tented paradise on which was written 'Paradise.' It was taken by the Confederates in the first day's fight, and the victors wrote beneath its name 'Lost.' By Beauregard's order all camp furniture was left intact, as he expected to possess the whole field in the morrow's struggle. The Union army recovered their ground by the second day's battle, the pleasure tent was retaken and the two names was added the word 'Retained.'"

The Violin's Scroll.
The "throwing" of the scroll, or head, of a violin betrays the master's style, the same as handwriting. To an amateur all violin heads may appear the same, but the connoisseur knows a "Strad." Anasi or Guarneri at once from the physiognomy of the scroll. This has been likened to the painter's touch—that is, difficult to imitate so as to deceive one who is thoroughly conversant with the individual work of the great masters.—Circus.

Presence of Mind.
A captured Turkish officer on being led forth to execution asked for a glass of water before he died. On receiving it he looked uneasily around as if afraid of assassination. "Drinks," said the commander. "No harm shall come to thee until thou hast drunk that water."

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